

29 (New). The calling card of claim 28 wherein said memory has stored therein a predetermined message for substitution in place of the respective caller ID value of a telephone at which the calling card is used.

Sub C2 30 (New). The calling card of claim 29 wherein said memory has stored therein a plurality of predetermined messages for substitution in place of the respective caller ID value.

31 (New). The calling card of claim 30 wherein said memory has a storage area therein for holding a value specifying an account balance, the account balance being stored in the memory at a time later than the manufacturing of a calling card.

REMARKS

Previously pending claim 23 was rejected under Section 103 as being unpatentable over Hazra in view of Malik. It was noted that Hazra teaches the limitation of the claim in column 7, line 55, through column 8, line 4.

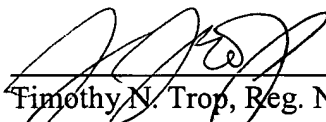
New claim 28, calls for storing a telephone number which is to be called upon usage of the calling card. No such thing is provided in Hazra.

In the cited portion of Hazra, it merely indicates that "the telephone number to request the authentication for using the specific surface has to be called...." But this nowhere suggests that the telephone number is stored in the card. Therefore, Hazra does not, in any way, suggest the claimed invention.

In view of these remarks, reconsideration of the rejection of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully requested,

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APPENDIX

Please cancel claims 12-18 and 21-27.

Please add the following new claims 28 *et seq.*

28 (New). A telephone calling card comprising:

a memory having stored therein a unique identifying value and, said memory having a storage area therein for holding a value specifying a respective telephone number which is to be called upon usage of the calling card, the respective telephone number to be stored in the memory at a time later than the manufacturing of a calling card.

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30 (New). The calling card of claim 29 wherein said memory has stored therein a plurality of predetermined messages for substitution in place of the respective caller ID value.

31 (New). The calling card of claim 30 wherein said memory has a storage area therein for holding a value specifying an account balance, the account balance being stored in the memory at a time later than the manufacturing of a calling card.